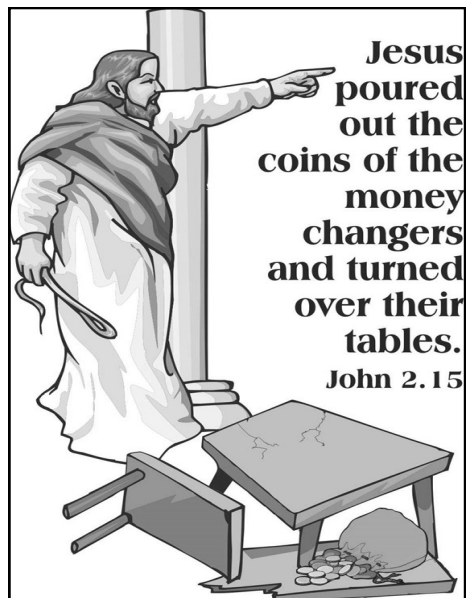


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Sacraments

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturdays 3:00 PM and by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** To arrange and prepare for the celebration of Baptism, please call the Pastor to schedule an appointment. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sunday afternoon.

**FUNERAL:** Please call the parish as soon as possible to make arrangements for the Mass of Christian Burial.

**VISITING THE SICK:** If you or a family member are sick or in the hospital, please call the parish so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated in the parish before hospitalization. Please call also to arrange for a Eucharistic minister to bring Communion to the sick. If you would like to request prayers for someone who is sick, please call the parish so that the name may be placed in the bulletin.

**MARRIAGES:** Preparation must begin at least six months prior to the wedding. Please make arrangements with the parish before scheduling the reception.

**ANNULMENTS/CONVALIDATION:** Please arrange a meeting with the Pastor to begin the process of celebrating your marriage in the Church.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Catholics who would like to be registered as parishioners of Immaculate Conception and receive stewardship envelopes should call the parish secretary or fill out a form in the vestibule of the church.

**RCIA:** Adults who desire to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church should contact the RCIA (Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults) team. Preparation usually begins in September and Baptism or Reception is celebrated at the next Easter Vigil.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE:** Some financial aid for tuition assistance to Catholic schools is available to registered members of the parish. This is a one time grant of no more than \$1,000.00 to needy families to assist them during a time of financial crisis. Eligible families should write a letter to the Pastor who will evaluate the request with the Financial Advisory Committee.

To Whom Do We Go

Adult Formation: Lovenia Watson.....778-1977  
Child Protection Coord: Andrea Toles.....(504)491-6556  
Eucharistic Ministers: Beulah Decuir.....229-6076  
Gospel Choir/Adult: Daphne Alex.....936-4051  
Gospel Choir/Youth: Tara Winder .....428-5981  
Hall Rental: Juliet Betts.....775-7067  
Ministry Council/Chair: Georgia Jenkins.....775-5824  
Pantry/Food and Vouchers: .....774-3661  
Sacristan: Rogers Jackson, Jr. ....362-0907  
Traditional Choir: Deadra James Mackie.....772-3401  
Usher's Coordinator: Walter Ennis.....(504)427-6459



AND MAKING  
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HE DROVE THEM  
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THE TEMPLE

THIRD SUNDAY OF  
Lent  
MARCH 3, 2024

When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple courts he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple courts, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. John 2:13-15

Today, on this third Sunday of Lent, the Gospel reading we hear tells the story of Jesus cleansing the Jerusalem Temple. As we enter the third week of Lent, we are reminded to make room for God in our lives. We are invited to reflect: Do I make room for God each day? Am I bold enough to invite Jesus to cleanse my heart that I may be a temple, an indwelling of the Holy Spirit, fit for the living God?

Let us continue our Lenten journey; let us open our hearts to Jesus and ask him to cleanse us as he did the temple in Jerusalem, removing all that must be cleared and cleaned; not only that we may have room for God in our lives, but that God truly becomes the center of my life, where all else moves in relation to the center.

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IN RESIDENCE: Father Fred Kammer, S.J. ....(225) 774-3241

SECRETARY: Juliet Betts .....(225) 775-7067

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COORDINATOR: Gloria DeRouen .....(225) 936-8162

ASSISTANT TO COORDINATOR: Stephanie Yearby .....(214) 881-5663

RCIA COORDINATOR: Cathy Glover .....(225) 772-6099

MLK/SU CATHOLIC STUDENT CENTER:

Joyce Johnson - Wilfred Johnson .....(225) 775-8691



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM

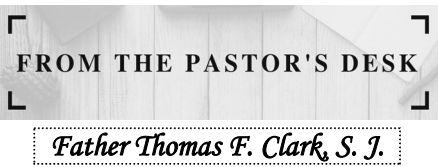
Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses: MLK Chapel

Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., 12:10 PM

Holy Day Masses:

Vigil Mass: 7:00 PM and 12:10 PM



WELCOME TO FR. PAUL DEUTSCH



Welcome Father Paul Deutsch, SJ, who is celebrating the 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Masses on Sunday morning while Father Clark is in New York at the funeral of his cousin. Thank you, to Father Fred Kammer, who is celebrating the 4:00 PM Mass as well as Masses at Angola on Sunday morning.

PRAY FOR OUR CANDIDATES FOR FULL COMMUNION



During this season of Lent, please pray for our candidates for full communion in the Catholic Church: Lacey Hardy Brown and Knakita McMullen-Llorens. At the Easter Vigil on March 30, they will make a profession of faith, receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, and be united with us in receiving the Body and Blood of the Lord in the Eucharist.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK



Next Sunday, March 10, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at 4:00 PM. If you are experiencing illness, weakness, mental or emotional distress, come and celebrate this sacrament of healing.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)



We will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) on Wednesday, March 20, at 6 PM. We will have several priests available for individual confession after a short prayer service. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a great opportunity to bring peace to your heart. Let go of those things that weigh you down. Ask yourself, how can you grow at this time in your life? What is one thing you can do to make yourself a better person?

FOOD HANDLING TRAINING COURSE



The Southern University Ag Center will offer a training in the safe handling of food at our Activity Center on three Wednesdays, March 6, 13, and 20 from 5 PM to 6:30 PM. This training will provide you with a credential that will enable you to start a small business or secure a job in food handling. Father Clark requests that all parishioners who oversee food in our Activity Center at fish fries, repasts, and parish events take this training.



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

**PALM SUNDAY: March 24:** Mass with Procession of Palms at 4:00 PM, 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM  
**HOLY THURSDAY: March 28 at 7:00 PM:** Mass of the Lord's Supper with Washing of the Feet and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration until 10:00 PM  
**GOOD FRIDAY: March 29 at 3:00 PM:** Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord with the Passion according to John, the Solemn Universal Prayer, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion.  
**HOLY SATURDAY: March 30 at 8:00 PM:** The Easter Vigil with Service of the Light, Liturgy of the Word, Sacraments of Christian Initiation, First Eucharist of Easter.  
**EASTER SUNDAY: March 31:** Mass of the Resurrection at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER AND COURT #116 FISH DINNERS



*Fried Catfish, Potato Salad, Sweet Peas, Slice Bread and Dessert*

Fridays: February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, and 22

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church - Activity Center -1565 Curtis St. Baton Rouge, La.

\$15.00 per plate: 10am – 2pm

For orders and deliveries, please contact: *Jessica Semien-Olive - (225) 270-5454 -- David Dartez- (225)288-3437*



Happy Birthday

WALTER	CRAIG III	3/4
KALLI	GREGORY	3/4
ALYSHA	LEWIS	3/4
JARVIS	SANDERS	3/4
NAVIN	DENU	3/6
LLOYD	DOUCETTE, JR.	3/6
GREGORY	DURLEY, JR.	3/6
DARRELL	FRANCIS	3/6
JULIUS	KLEINPETER, JR.	3/6
ASHLEY	BARRON	3/7
JANET	DUPRE	3/7
CALVIN	MCKNIGHT, JR.	3/7
CRYSTAL	MURRAY	3/7
CHERYL	RAMI	3/7
PATRICA	THOMAS	3/7
JAI	BRUMFIELD	3/8
FR. THOMAS	CLARK	3/8
KEIONNA	COLEMAN	3/8
DALTON	BROWN	3/9
GUS J.	BUTLER	3/9
TEREZ	VANCE	3/9



2024 KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER SCHOLARSHIP

Wilfred B. Ricard Council 116 of the Knights of Peter Claver is accepting applications for our 14<sup>th</sup> annual scholarship award. We will award this scholarship to a **MALE APPLICANT** from Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Applications for the scholarship can be picked up in the rear of the church, by contacting the parish secretary, or via email at [monsieurjai@gmail.com](mailto:monsieurjai@gmail.com). The application deadline is April 30, 2024. Thanks, Aubrey Jones, Chairman. Questions/comments regarding this request should be directed to Aubrey Jones at 504.810.3555 or via email at [monsieurjai@gmail.com](mailto:monsieurjai@gmail.com).

2024 CECILIA GALVIN SCHOLARSHIP

The CompTIA Community and the ChannelPro Network are offering a \$5,000 scholarship for female high school students in their senior year who have demonstrated leadership in their school and community and have shown an early interest in technology. The scholarship can be applied towards a four-year college, trade school or CompTIA certifications within the United States. Application deadline is March 8, 2024. Application information can be obtained from Emily Gaines at [egaines@comptia.org](mailto:egaines@comptia.org)



Mass Readings

March 3rd - March 10th

Sunday

Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 20:1-17; Psalm 19; 1 Cor 1:22-25;

Gospel: Jn 2:13-25

Monday

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Psalm 42

Gospel: Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Psalm 25

Gospel: Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Psalm 147

Gospel: Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

Jer 7:23-28; Psalm 95

Gospel: Lk 11:14-23

Friday

Hos 14:2-10; Psalm 81

Gospel: Mk 12:28-34

Saturday

Hos 6:1-6; Psalm 51

Gospel: Lk 18:9-14

Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Psalm 137; Eph 2:4-10

Gospel: Jn 3:14-21

